The Honorable Michael K. Powell Chairman Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Powell:

Dear Sirs,

I am writing to support the merger. I live in a very rual area in western MA and we have a lousey cable system. That is why I went to a Sat. system years ago but must keep basic cable to get our local news. I want local news on the Sat. system. As of now it is only offered from the Boston area which is 95 miles from here. I need the Springfield / Hartford area not Boston. For those of us who live in the 'sticks' please allow the merger to go through. Thanks

Sincerely,

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